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In re Application of  
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Serial No.: 09/836,751 ) Group: 3745  
Filed: April 17, 2001 )  
Title: INDEPENDENT METERING VALVE )  
ASSEMBLY FOR MULTIPLE HYDRAULIC ) Examiner: Lopez, Frank D.  
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From: Todd T. Taylor

RE: U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/836,751  
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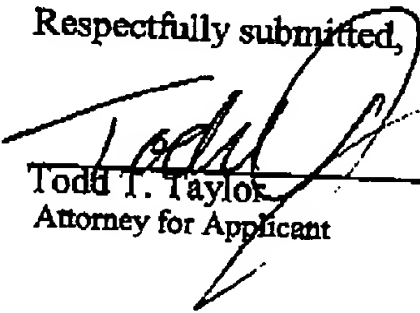
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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.  
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